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Title: SYSTEM FOR PERFORMING MAINTENANCE TEST BETWEEN
LAN CONNECTING DEVICES AND THE SAME LAN
CONNECTING DEVICE
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated January 3, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

A petition and fee for a one-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: